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To: Executive Committee, Indiana Professional Standards Board

From: Anne Moudy, Chair, Licensure Review Committee

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RE: Recommended Change in Licensure Framework

At their March 5, 2003, meeting, the Licensure Review Committee heard the recommendation of an Exceptional Needs Task Force regarding the requirement of Mild Intervention for teacher of Visually Impaired and Hearing Impaired. The recommendation of the task force, which was accepted by the Licensure Review Committee, is to remove the requirement of Mild Intervention for teachers of Visually Impaired and Hearing Impaired.

The current language in the Licensure Framework for Exceptional Needs is as follows:

EXCEPTIONAL NEEDS

Content: Based on the content Standards for Teachers of Exceptional Needs, **the license must state Mild Intervention**, and may additionally state one or more of the following:

Intense Intervention

Visually Impaired

Hearing Impaired

Comment: The content standards for Mild and Intense Intervention are based on levels of service needed rather than on discrete categories. All candidates for Exceptional Needs licensure must demonstrate proficiency in the Mild Intervention content standards.

Upon adoption, the Licensure Framework will read as follows:

EXCEPTIONAL NEEDS

Content: Based on the content Standards for Teachers of Exceptional Needs, the license will state one or more of the following:

Mild Intervention

Visually Impaired

Hearing Impaired

Intense Intervention

If Indiana students are to achieve high standards, there must be competent, caring, and qualified educators to get them there.

Comment: In order for the license to state Intense Intervention, the holder must have Mild Intervention listed on the license.

Comment: The content standards for Mild and Intense Intervention are based on levels of service needed rather than on discrete categories. All candidates for the Intense Intervention licensure must demonstrate proficiency in the Mild Intervention content standards.

Licensure Committee Recommendation:

The Executive Committee approves for full Board consideration the deletion of Mild Intervention as a requirement for Visually Impaired and Hearing Impaired and approves the changes in the Licensure Framework as worded.
